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SUBJ: REPORT ON SIGNIFICANT USG CLAIMS AGAINST FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

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1. IN RESPONSE TO REPAIR, FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED REGARDING U.S. GOVERNMENT CLAIMS AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAK GOVERNMENT. FORMAT IS THAT SPECIFIED IN REPAIR.

(A) COUNTRY: CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC.

(B) EVENTS: WORLD WAR II.

(C) AMOUNT OF CLAIM: BETWEEN \$5 MILLION AND \$25 MILLION (SPECIFICALLY \$7 MILLION).

(D) ISSUE INVOLVED: PAYMENT BY CZECHOSLOVAKIA FOR U.S. SURPLUS PROPERTY OBTAINED FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II.

(E) STATUS OF USG EFFORTS TO RESOLVE CLAIM: THE 1974 GOLD/CLAIMS AGREEMENT INITIALED BY US AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA PROVIDED, INTERALIA, FOR FULL PAYMENT OF THIS CLAIM BY CZECHOSLOVAKS. HOWEVER, SINCE SECTION 408 OF TRADE ACT OF 1974 BLOCKS IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS AGREEMENT, EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE ARE STYMIED UNTIL LARGER GOLD/PRIVATE CLAIMS ISSUE IS RESOLVED.

(F) DATE OF LAST CONTACT WITH COUNTRY: LAST OFFICIAL CONTACT WAS IN JULY 1974 WHEN NEGOTIATIONS ON GOLD/CLAIMS AGREEMENT ENDED. HOWEVER, THIS AND RELATED GOLD/CLAIMS ISSUES ARE ONGOING MATTERS WHICH US AND CZECHOSLOVAK OFFICIALS DISCUSS REGULARLY.

(G) AGENCY AND INDIVIDUAL TO BE CONTACTED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
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MR. FABIAN KWIA TEK (L/C) AND

MR. ELY MAURER (L/ECP).

2. EMBASSY REGRETS DELAY IN RESPONDING TO REPAIR.
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